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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

of the

American Political Science Association

for the year 1913

The tenth annual meeting of the Association was held at Washington, December 30, 1913 to January 1, 1914. The address of Prof. W. W. Willoughby, President of the Association, on "The Individual and the State," appears in the *American Political Science Review* for February, 1913. Dr. Ernest Brunken's paper on "Some Neglected Factors in Law Making," will appear in a later number of the *Review*. The other papers and reports presented at the meeting are published in volume X of the *Proceedings*, which is issued as a supplement to the February number of the *Review*.

The annual business meeting of the Association was held January 1, 1914, at which the following business was transacted:

The secretary reported that when the records of the Association came to him in January, 1913, there were 1550 members, and that the membership at the end of the year was substantially the same, more than one hundred members having been dropped toward the end of the year because of non-payment of dues.

The treasurer reported that the net receipts for the current year had exceeded those for the preceding year, but that expenditures had correspondingly increased. A deficit of \$238.93 from 1912 had to be met from 1913 receipts, and after meeting this deficit the receipts for 1913 have not been quite sufficient to meet all expenses.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Association, it had already been voted at the Boston meeting in 1912, is to be held in Chicago during the Christmas holidays of 1914.

The managing editor of the *Review* reported that the executive council had approved the following changes on the editorial board: Mr. John A. Lapp to succeed Prof. A. R. Hatton; Prof. W. F. Willoughby to succeed Prof. H. J. Ford; Dr. J. M. Mathews to succeed Prof. Jesse S. Reeves.

The nominating committee, appointed by the president, was composed of Profs. J. H. Latané (Chairman), J. W. Garner, W. B. Munro, N. Dwight Harris, and F. A. Updyke. The following officers for 1914 were nominated and elected: President, John Bassett Moore; First Vice-President, Charles E. Merriam; Second Vice-President, George G. Wilson, Third Vice-President, L. S. Rowe; Secretary and Treasurer, W. F. Dodd.

As members of the executive council to serve until December 31, 1916: Charles McCarthy, W. J. Shepard, N. D. Harris, E. M. Borchard, S. Gale Lowrie.

The following resolutions were presented to the Association by the executive council, and were adopted:

WHEREAS, This Association has, as one of its main objects the encouragement of perfect freedom of political discussion; and

WHEREAS, This is essential to the progress of political science;

Therefore be it resolved: That a committee of three be constituted to examine and report upon the present situation in American educational institutions as to liberty of thought, freedom of speech, and security of tenure for teachers of political science.

That a committee be authorized to coöperate with any similar committees which may be constituted by other societies in the field of the social sciences.

WHEREAS, it is stated in the annual report of the director of the census that material changes are proposed to be made in the publication of census information on occupations; and

WHEREAS such information is absolutely essential in the construction of occupational mortality tables and in the furtherance of the study of occupational diseases and accidents, and for the use of commissions on workmen's compensation, on prevention of industrial accidents and diseases, industrial boards and bureaus, and other public bodies dealing with these and related subjects;

WHEREAS a special committee on census methods has recommended the abandonment of a complete and scientific tabulation and analysis of the occupational data originally collected and incompletely analysed, at great expense to the government; and

WHEREAS the present opportunity is the best possible for attaining the required information at the least expense, if the existing cards are subjected to a second run, and thus tabulated in the required manner by age and sex, and this opportunity will be immediately lost if this work be not done at this time;

Be it resolved that the American Political Science Association most earnestly protests against the proposed abandonment of the tabulation and analysis of the occupational data of the thirteenth census and

therefore urgently calls upon congress to make without delay the required provision for the preparation and publication of the same.

Reports of committees on legislative methods, city and county government, and on practical instruction in government were presented at the business meeting. A separate session was devoted to instruction in government, and the report of the Association's committee on this subject was presented at that time.

The secretary presents as a part of his report the following minutes of business transacted by the executive council and board of editors of the *Review*, meeting jointly:

At the meeting held at the University Club, Chicago, November 15, 1913, the following were present: W. W. Willoughby, Ernst Freund, J. Q. Dealey, Isidor Loeb, Charles McCarthy, W. A. Schaper, T. F. Moran, J. S. Reeves, J. W. Garner, W. F. Dodd.

Tentative reports were made by the secretary-treasurer and the managing editor of the *Review*. An enlargement of the *Review* to 190 pages was authorized, should the managing editor and the secretary-treasurer think this feasible. The printing contract for the *Review* was left within the discretion of the managing editor. The general policy of the *Review* was discussed, and the opinion expressed in favor of strengthening the department of legislative notes and of devoting more attention to foreign politics.

Professor Reeves reported with reference to the program, and Professor Willoughby reported with reference to local arrangements for the Washington meeting, and the action of the committees having these matters in charge was approved.

Tentative reports of all committees of the Association were received. It was agreed that so far as possible committee reports be published in full. An appropriation of \$25 was made to the committee on city and county government. An appropriation not exceeding \$250 was continued to assist in defraying expenses of members of the executive council and board of editors.

It was voted that the Executive Council hold its next fall meeting in Baltimore, November 14, 1914.

At the meeting held December 31, 1913, and upon adjournment, on January 1, 1914, in the Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D. C., the following were present: W. W. Willoughby, Herbert Croly, J. Q. Dealey, T. F. Moran, J. A. C. Chandler, W. A. Schaper, Robert H. Whitten,

J. W. Garner, Ernst Freund, Charles McCarthy, W. B. Munro, W. F. Dodd. Prof. Charles G. Haines, chairman of the committee on instruction in government, and Prof. Clyde L. King, chairman of the committee on city and county government, were also present upon invitation.

Two resolutions submitted to the executive council were ordered presented to the Association.

It was voted to abolish the committee on state governments and to continue the committees which had previously been appointed by the Association. The president was authorized to increase the membership of the committee on legislative methods. A new committee on ballot forms was authorized. An appropriation of \$100 was made to the committee on instruction in government, and this committee was authorized to coöperate with the Bureau of Education and with committees of the National Municipal League and the National Educational Association.

The president appointed W. A. Schaper, Robert H. Whitten, and Thomas F. Moran a committee to audit the accounts of the treasurer. The same committee was authorized to audit the accounts of the committee on practical instruction in government; this committee was authorized to handle its funds through the treasurer of the Association. The treasurer was authorized, in his discretion, to bond himself.

The sum of \$250 was appropriated for clerical assistance for the managing editor of the *Review*, and \$100 was appropriated for legislative notes.

The matter of using somewhat heavier paper in the publication of the *Proceedings* was left to the discretion of the managing editor, as was also the matter of publishing important documents in the *Review*.

The secretary was instructed to obtain an estimate of the cost of preparing and issuing an index to the publications of the Association.